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SUBJECT: U.S. NOMINEE FOR UNESCO LITERACY AWARD

1. EACH YEAR MEMBER STATES OF UNESCO ARE INVITED TO  
NOMINATE A SINGLE CANDIDATE FOR PRIZES AWARDED UNDER  
UNESCO'S AUSPICES FOR MERITORIOUS WORK IN LITERACY. THESE  
CANDIDATES ARE REVIEWED BY AN INTERNATIONAL JURY. AN AN-  
NOUNCEMENT OF THE PRIZE WINNERS IS MADE USUALLY AT PARIS  
ON SEPTEMBER 8 WHICH IS COMMEMORATED AS INTERNATIONAL  
LITERACY DAY.

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2. THIS YEAR THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT IS SUBMITTING  
THE NAME OF WELTHY HONSINGER FISHER AS ITS NOMINEE FOR THE  
AWARD. DR. FISHER, WHO WAS PROPOSED BY WORLD EDUCATION,  
INC., WAS SELECTED IN RECOGNITION OF THE OUTSTANDING  
CONTRIBUTION SHE HAS MADE OVER THE YEARS, ESPECIALLY IN  
INDIA WITH THE FOUNDING OF LITERACY HOUSE.

3. DR. FISHER WILL ALSO BE HONORED ON SEPTEMBER 8 IN WASHINGTON AT THE ANNUAL COMMEMORATION OF INTERNATIONAL LITERACY DAY WHICH WILL BE SPONSORED BY DHEW WITH THE CO-OPERATION OF U.S. NATIONAL COMMISSION FOR UNESCO, THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE AND PRIVATE SECTOR ORGANIZATIONS. THIS NOMINATION ALSO IS TIMELY AND IN KEEPING WITH PLANS THAT ARE BEING DEVELOPED BY WORLD EDUCATION, INC. TO CELEBRATE MRS. FISHER'S 99TH BIRTHDAY ON SEPTEMBER 18 TO WHICH A DISTINGUISHED GROUP OF 100 FRIENDS HAVE BEEN INVITED TO INITIATE THE WELTHY FISHER CENTENNIAL.

4. SINCE WE UNDERSTAND THAT THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA IS PLANNING TO LAUNCH AN OFFICIAL PROGRAM FOR A NATIONAL BASIC ADULT EDUCATION ON OCTOBER 2, 1978, IN WHICH LITERACY HOUSE WILL PLAY AN IMPORTANT PART, THE EMBASSY MAY WISH TO INFORM THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA OF THE INITIATIVE OUR GOVERNMENT IS TAKING WITH THIS NOMINATION OF WELTHY FISHER. VANCE

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